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## RETAIN THE BRIDGE WORKS

If it had been possible for all the citizens of Mt. Vernon to be present at the meeting of the Citizens' association Thursday night and secure at first hands the information relative to the attitude of the Mt. Vernon Bridge company with reference to their remaining here or going elsewhere, all would have been impressed with the very fair position they occupy in the matter, and of the exceedingly reasonable requirement that is imposed for the retention of the works in Mt. Vernon. All would also have been impressed with the earnestness that prevailed at the meeting, and would have become imbued with the same purpose of putting their shoulders to the wheel, and making every possible effort to raise the \$20,000 that is necessary to retain the establishment.

As was stated at the meeting, if a stranger came along with as good a proposition, the people of Mt. Vernon would go to work with a will and determination that would assure success. The situation with reference to the retention of the Bridge works must be viewed in the same light.

There is nothing in the attitude of the Bridge company that savors of a "hold up"—that is very evident to all who have conferred with the officials of the company. It is simply a business proposition, and must be viewed in that light alone.

The Bridge works is too important an industry to Mt. Vernon to be allowed to get away. Its loss would be in the nature of a disaster to the whole community—not only a set back to the business interests of the city, but in the depreciation of real estate values that would be appalling.

While \$20,000 may seem a large amount of money to raise by popular subscription, yet it can be done—it must be done. Every citizen in the community should have his part in raising the money, and it should be given quickly, as there is a limit in the time, and action cannot be delayed.

Let us unite in giving "a long pull, a strong pull, and a pull altogether," and the requirement will be easily and speedily accomplished.

## WHAT THE PEOPLE WANT.

The following communication printed in the Republican Columbus Dispatch of February 16, under the head "What the People Want" and signed "Justice" evidently written by a Republican citizen of Westerville, Ohio, aptly expresses the thoughts and feelings that prevail pretty generally throughout the state. Read it carefully. It follows in full:

Sir: What the people want to know is what has Taft got to do with Ohio? Every day we see some one from the Ohio legislature has gone to see Mr. Taft. What's it all for?

Does it have any reference to taxing the people of Ohio? What is the Ohio legislature for? Don't the people want some relief from the burden of taxes? If the representatives whom we sent to the Ohio legislature will represent us there you will hear no more of graft and highway robbery in the way of taxes. Why must bills like the "central board" be referred to a committee who will, as we all know, kill it? Don't the people have any rights? Must party come before the people? No. If the representatives, Taft, Taylor, Aldrich and Cannon only knew the undercurrent that is now floating in the minds of the people of Ohio there would be a change. I as a ready appraiser, am not going to give the ghouls any

more food than I can possibly help. As I come in contact with the people I find they are watching things that are done at Washington. Don't think promises will satisfy. We don't have to wait for next November to tell you how we will vote. We will vote as we are relieved of the tax burden, graft and bossism.

Your dinners, jollifications and party whips may handle the politicians, but don't be fooled about the masses. We have had our fill. Give us relief and then you will not have any complaint as to high cost of living. Stop your talking about insurgents. Next November you will find us all insurgents. Let Mr. Taft run affairs at Washington; he has all he can very well handle. We have enough good and true men in Ohio to take care of her.—Justice, Westerville, Ohio.

## NOTE THE DIFFERENCE.

When Zuber, Wirmel and Kearns were told by the Republican attorney general that they were not entitled to charge in their expense accounts items which Republican officials had been charging up to the state for years, they did not quibble but promptly paid it back. Although the amount was small in each case these Democratic officials did not want the slightest blemish upon their records.

When it was found that one employee of the state board of public works had been drawing \$800 per year more than the salary fixed by law, and that another employee in the same department had been drawing \$200 per year more than the fixed salary, and that another employee in the same department had been drawing \$200 more than the fixed salary, a Republican senator introduced a bill—not to make them disgorge nor pay it back, but to raise the salary to the figures each had been receiving unlawfully.

Can you see the difference?

## WE? OUI, OUI!

Discussing the cost of high living Andrew Carnegie said in an interview at Los Angeles: "Of course we live too high. We all want the best cuts of meats, where formerly we didn't. We want to wear real wool and many of us have a yearning for silk hosiery. We are simply living on too expensive a scale."

We are, we are? We? We? We! when Carnegie says "WE" of course he means himself and the other capitalists of industry; huh?

## CONFESSED EXTRAVAGANCE.

In a speech on the floor of the senate Senator Aldrich declared that if permitted to do so, he could run the government of the United States for \$300,000,000 a year less than it now costs.

What the d! has Aldrich been doing in Washington since Taft became president if he hasn't been running the government?

## WESTERN UNION

Authorizes Charge Accounts To Telephone Subscribers

New York, Feb. 26.—With the idea of putting into operation as soon as possible to plan to make every private telephone practically a telegraph office, the Western Union Telegraph Company today authorized all its offices to open charge accounts with subscribers of any telephone company with which the Western Union has arrangements for the receipt and delivery of telegrams by telephone.

The transmission of messages, it is explained, is open to all telephone companies, regardless of their affiliations, whose lines connect with Western Union offices.

The intention of the Western Union, according to General Manager Brooks, is twofold—to broaden the use of the telegraph and to expedite the forwarding of telegrams. The new plan is to extend the credit heretofore granted a few customers by putting the public as a whole into the preferred class and to make the telephone the criterion for credit.

## Surprise Party At Brandon

A delightful surprise party was given Miss Louise Burgess at her home about two miles west of Brandon, Friday evening, in honor of her eighteenth birthday anniversary. About thirty of her young friends were present to enjoy the games and music throughout the evening. An oyster supper was served.

FARM FOR SALE—46 acres two miles from Mt. Vernon on Columbus road. A rich sandy loam soil. 30 acres in wheat and 16 in hay. Easy terms. J. R. Penn, Citizens' phone 856 Black.

Miss Ada Sheasby of Gambler spent Sunday in Danville the guest of relatives and friends.

## SOLICITING

### Committee Starts Out To Raise Fund For Bridge Works

It was a busy scene in the West room, adjoining the post office, Monday morning, when the committee to solicit the subscription of \$20,000 for the retention of the Bridge Works, started in on their work.

The committee was divided into ten sub-committees, and each was assigned the names of a list of citizens on whom to call, and by 10 o'clock had started out on the canvass.

All are enthusiastic and determined to make a success of the project.

## BAD FIRE

### Came Near Resulting At Home Of H. C. Devin

A bad fire was averted at the home of Mr. H. C. Devin on North Main street Saturday afternoon only by timely action. The blaze was started when Master Fletcher Devin lighted a small alcohol lamp which had been leaking. The leak caused the flames to spread and become large enough to reach the lace curtains at the window. The curtains fell on a couch damaging it considerably. Besides this the polished woodwork was somewhat burned and blackened. The loss will probably reach seventy-five dollars.

## SHORT LOCALS

Messrs. S. O. Grant and W. M. Hicks of Centerville spent Friday in Mt. Vernon.

Mr. J. G. Todd is confined to his home on North Mulberry street by a severe attack of illness.

Mr. Henry Weber went to Columbus this afternoon in the interest of the C. & G. Cooper Co.

Mr. A. F. Smalley returned this morning from a business trip to Chicago, Ill.

Mr. Walter Porter is home from West Virginia for a short visit with relatives.

The public school at Lock gave a literary program at the school building Saturday afternoon. The program consisted of recitations and the reading of the school paper.

Mr. W. P. Bogardus went to Zanesville Saturday noon to attend to some matters of business.

Mr. E. F. Workman and daughter, Bendetta, of Columbus are spending several days in Millwood, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Hammond.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Shaffer returned to their home in Mt. Liberty Saturday morning after a several days' wedding trip through the East.

Miss Beatrice McDonough and Miss Elizabeth Kelley went to Columbus Saturday morning to spend the day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Todd returned from Cleveland Friday evening after a several days' visit with friends and relatives.

Mr. Charles Killkenny, who has for the past several days been ill at his home on West Chestnut street, is somewhat improved.

Kokosing Encampment, No. 29, I. O. O. F., elected one candidate for membership at the regular meeting Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Sengrey of Lancaster arrived in Mt. Vernon Saturday morning, en route to Chesterville, where they will attend the funeral of the late Hugh McGaughey.

Mrs. A. J. Moll was taken from her home on Mansfield avenue to the Mt. Vernon hospital for an operation on Saturday morning in Chappellear & Co.'s ambulance.

Mr. W. H. Bash of Central City, Kentucky, left Saturday morning for his home after a several days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hull of South Vernon.

Mrs. J. P. Crowley left Saturday morning for her home in Lancaster after a several days' visit with her mother, Mrs. Patrick Feeney of East Hamtramck street.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Lamb, who were recently married in Columbus, have returned from their wedding trip and have taken up their home in Mt. Vernon.

## PUBLIC SALE

G. W. Tulloss will offer on Tuesday, March 8, at his residence near Lucern, 4 good brood mares, all young; one milk cow, four steers, 150 good brood ewes, 90 bred; one brood sow; farm machinery; hay and grain.

GEORGE H. EARLE, JR.

Man Whose Obstinacy Blocked Arbitration of Carmen's Strike



### WILL HALE PACKERS TO BAR OF JUSTICE

Garven In No Mood to Stand For Big Bluff.

New York Feb. 28.—Pierre H. Garven, prosecutor of the pleas, said that he is not at all disturbed over the statement made by the packing companies in Chicago that the packers will resist any attempt to extradite them to New Jersey that they may be placed on trial on the conspiracy indictment found by the Hudson county grand jury.

"On account of the importance of the litigation," Mr. Garven said, "the state intends to take speedy action. The indictments have been found and it is up to me to bring the defendants here. I purpose to give all hands an opportunity to come voluntarily to Hudson, but if they do not, then I shall proceed in the usual manner to have them extradited."

### WANTS TO RULE THE SEAS

Secretary Meyer Outlines Plan For World-Beating Navy.

Washington, Feb. 28.—The building of a world record-breaking battleship of no less than 32,000 tons displacement, at a cost of approximately \$18,000,000, and the making of the United States the leading naval power of the world, are planned by Secretary of the Navy Meyer.

This was what Secretary Meyer is said to have told the members of the house naval committee was his ultimate plan, and what he would ask congress to authorize next year.

Ellis For Leader In 1912.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Wade H. Ellis is to be director general of the Taft forces in the national campaign of 1912 if he is successful in his leadership in Ohio this year, is the substance of a political prediction that was exploited today in a New York newspaper.

Lessing on Secret Mission.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Judge John M. Lessing of the Kentucky court of appeals arrived and called on Senator Bradley and the various congressmen. He declined to comment upon his business in Washington.

## THIS AND THAT

Three white men were killed and three negro cabins burned in a race war at Eldorado, Ark.

Two young men were instantly killed and three others seriously injured when they were hit by a freight train, near Pittsburg.

Giuseppe Calamia, suspected of complicity in the assassination of Lieutenant Petrosino of the New York police force, in Palermo, has been arrested in New Orleans.

A special national convention of the United Mine Workers of America will meet in Cincinnati, March 14, to consider any demands formulated at the Cincinnati conference March 8.

While presiding at the motor of a streetcar Joseph Fuller became paralyzed, the car running wild for three blocks and smashing into a grocer's wagon before the motorman's condition was discovered, at Columbus, O.

## STEEL PLANT IS REOPENED

State Constabulary Soothes Tempers of Bethlehem Strikers.

South Bethlehem, Pa., Feb. 28.—The salutary effect of the presence of two companies of the state constabulary sent here to quell the riots at the Bethlehem steel works and their determined stand is apparent. There was not the semblance of disorder and no arrests. The crisis is expected to develop today, as C. M. Schwab started his plant this morning.

Besides the constabulary, 300 deputy sheriffs with 1,000 rounds of ammunition protected the men loyal to the company when they returned to work. The important development was the swearing in of Coroner Gohens' jury to investigate the killing of Joseph Szamboy.

The minister of Austria-Hungary at Washington is taking a hand in the investigation.

# Your February Agricultural Paper

HERE'S A SHOE THAT WILL SATISFY YOU—It's the Menz "Ease." Made for everyday, outdoor service in all sorts of weather, especially for your kind of work, at it's the easiest, most comfortable shoe you can buy. The upper leather is our own special Menz "Ease" Process of Tanning. So soft and pliable it reminds you of glove leather, very easy on your feet, neither heat, water nor service will harm it, and yet it's the toughest, strongest upper leather tanned.

## Menz "Ease"

Menz "Ease" shoes are absolutely solid and thoroughly honest—must be or we would not hear of them giving one to three years' service and the uppers outwearing two to six pairs of taps. They will satisfy you in every way. Always fit perfectly—will give you solid comfort all the day long—will wear like you want a shoe to wear—and best of all will save you money.

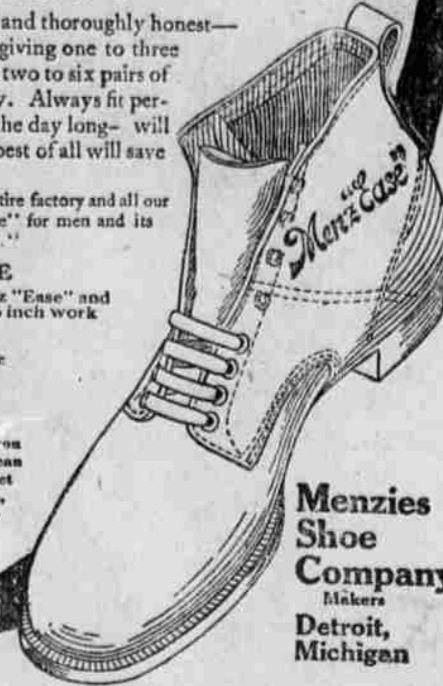
We are everyday shoe specialists devoting our entire factory and all our time for years to two shoes—the Menz "Ease" for men and its duplicate for boys—the "AMERICAN BOY."

## SENT FREE—CATALOGUE

Illustrating from photographs over 120 Menz "Ease" and "American Boy" styles in all heights from 6 inch work shoes to 18 inch hunting boots.

Menz "Ease" illustrated is the plain toe blucher—standard screw fastened, our medium weight sole, sizes 6 to 12, EE width, and a money saver at \$3

When you send for catalog we will tell you if you can buy the genuine Menz "Ease" and "American Boy" in your town. If you can't, you can get them direct from us at the regular retail price, delivery charges prepaid. We caution you never to buy a shoe from anyone except ourselves or our authorized agents for the genuine Menz "Ease" or "American Boy" unless you find the name on sole and the yellow label.



Menzies Shoe Company  
Blinkers  
Detroit, Michigan

contains this advertisement.

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We have the agency for the genuine Menz "Ease."

We would like to tell you what other men—your neighbors—say about the Menz "Ease" for service and we can prove that for comfort there's no other shoe its equal.

Hull & Spitzer

# ALLOTMENT

## Of The Yuma Lands Starts On Tuesday

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 28.—The largest available hall in Los Angeles has been engaged in which to conduct the initial steps in the Yuma Irrigation project "land lottery" tomorrow. The plan decided upon for the allotment of the Yuma lands is an entirely new one and representatives of the General Land Office at Washington are here to observe its workings with a view to its adoption in the future distribution of all public lands.

Early tomorrow morning the several thousand persons desirous of filing claims will assemble in the hall hired for the purpose. Cards will be distributed to them by agents of the government, and on these the prospective claimants will be required to write their names and postoffice addresses. At any time during the next ten days the applicant may appear at the land office in this city and, upon being identified by the card, may make application for any of the 173 farms that the government is to give away.

The necessity for the new plan arose from the anxiety of claimants to be first on the spot when allotments were made. As early as two weeks ago several hundred men and women had already formed in line before the land office here, with the evident intention of sticking fast to their posts until the day when the allotments were scheduled to be made. In order to prevent the hardships which must necessarily result from such an endurance test Secretary Ballinger directed that the new plan be adopted.

The opening of the Yuma Irrigation project to homestead entry will mark the birth of a new agricultural district in the Southwest, whose growth and development are certain to be rapid. The project, which has been completed by the government at an expenditure of about \$5,000,000, provides for the diversion of the Colorado River on both banks about 12 miles northeast of the town of Yuma. It will redevote 17,000 acres of an Indian reservation on the California side and about 75,000 acres of public land on the Arizona side.

The Yuman valley lands are especially adapted to the growing of alfalfa. When the alfalfa acreage insufficiently increased, the valley is expected to become the feeding place for cattle in transit. Dairying is expected to become another profitable enterprise, as stock requires little food other than alfalfa. The climatic conditions are excellent for poultry raising and bees. The Yuman valley is destined also to take a prominent place among the horticultural districts in the Southwest. Many deciduous fruits such as figs, apricots, plums, peaches, pears and olives, may be raised.

One hundred and seventy-three farms of 40 acres each are to be allotted by the government. The charges are as follows: Ten dollars per acre for the land, which amount is to be credited to the Indians who belong to the reservation; \$55 per acre, which represents the pro rata cost of the irrigation works; \$1 per acre for maintenance and operation of the system for 1910; total, \$66 per acre. Easy terms will be made for the

annum is to be paid for the acre per annum is to be paid for the Indian lands. \$5.50 per acre per annum for the water right charges, and \$1 per acre annually for actual maintenance. No interest is to be charged on deferred payments. The entryman who selects a 40-acre farm, all of which is irrigable, will be required to pay at the time of filing the sum of \$300, and each year thereafter a like amount until the full charge of \$3,000 is paid. In other words, a 40-acre farm will cost \$3,000 with ten years in which to make the payments.

## Critically Ill.

Levi McFarland, who resides near Roscoe and who was taken to a hospital in Mt. Vernon some time ago for treatment, was removed to his home Friday owing to the fact that the hospital authorities have abandoned hope of his recovery and it is the desire of his family that Mr. McFarland spend his last days at his home. Fever and lung trouble have become evident and his condition is considered very serious.—Coshocton Times.

## ATHLETICS HEAD FOR TRAINING CAMP

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 28.—With thirteen veteran players in his squad, Captain Harry Davis of the Philadelphia American league team started today for the preliminary training camp of the Athletics at Hot Springs, Va. At the same time a number of the younger members of the team left for Atlanta in charge of Manager Mack.

## UNIFORM COURSES ITS AIM

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 28.—A special committee of twenty prominent educators met in this city today to recommend plans for the unification of public and high school education in Missouri. The object is to bring about the adoption of a uniform system of education from the elementary schools to the State university.

## NO SMALL CHANGE.

Nothing Sold for Less Than Twenty-five Cents in the Gold Country.

(Des Moines Register.)

No pennies, nickels and dimes go in Alaska," said John Hoover, of Fairbanks. "When I first went to that country I saw bartenders look curiously at a dime that some tenderfoot had tossed on the bar and then sweep it off on the floor with their hands. I wondered at this contempt for real money, and asked some questions about it, discovering that no one ever took nickels or dimes, and that nothing could be bought in the Klondike for less than 25 cents. "Take the ordinary sack of tobacco, for instance, which we get here for a quarter, hardly, so that they make it two for a quarter, but will not sell one for 15 cents. "It is common cause among those people up there. They do not want nickels and dimes introduced for introduction of small change would mean lower wages and lower prices. Ordinary shovels get \$4 or \$5 a day, now, and other labor is paid in proportion. They do not want to receive lower wages. "Of course, it is true, that they make money on the side, almost every worker does. There is a tenden-

cy in mining to follow the rule that nuggets belong to the man who uncovers them even if they are found on the claim of the employer. I have seen men pick up nuggets worth from an insignificant sum to \$108 in value."

Mr. Hoover spent three years in the Arctic. "I didn't equal Cook's record," he said yesterday, "but I experienced 87 degrees below zero and am living."

"I couldn't be satisfied here again," said Mr. Hoover, "for the game up there is worth playing. I have had this bag half filled with gold dust several times—and lost it; but I expect to keep right on filling it up till I make a stake." Mr. Hoover has with him one of his leathern bags that the dust is carried in in Alaska. It is about twelve inches in length and flat and is about four inches across. It ties with a chong. "This looks as if an elephant had stepped on it," he said yesterday, "but it had the dust in it up in the Klondike, all right."

"There are mighty few robbers in Alaska," said Mr. Hoover. "It does not take more than four years to try a criminal and give him proper punishment up there. And besides he can be caught. There is only one way out, and that is gauged. Besides gold dust is as easily identified as any other kind of cloth or cattle. An assayer or a banker in Seattle, for instance, will tell you whether your gold is from one creek or another. There is sometimes ten per cent difference in the value of the gold from streams running parallel on different sides of the same mountain. So that a hold-up man who acquires gold dust would have to account for it when he went out and it could be traced easily."

Fairbanks now has 7,000 people. Mr. Hoover will now return there, and to do it in the winter time will have to walk about 400 miles.

## PHYSICIAN'S LONG LIFE.

It is seldom that a physician succeeds in proving his theories by not dying before reaching the great age of 91. This feat is the more remarkable when his theories are opposed to all commonly accepted ideas.

Dr. George S. Keith, who has just died at Currie, near Edinburg, aged 91, was known as the "starving doctor," and was much criticised for his almost complete abandonment of medicine, his condemnation of alcohol, and his attacks on the "keep up the strength of the patient" school.

Dr. Keith startled his patients by his ideas. "Don't eat anything," he would tell them, "but go to bed, open the window and drink plenty of good water." He scarcely ever prescribed medicine of any kind, and never alcohol. "In illness," he said, "neither medicine, nor alcoholic stimulants rule, and are often absolutely injurious." His great idea was that nearly every illness could be traced to over eating.

Asked how it was that so many people recovered under the common system of medicine, "feeding up" and alcoholic stimulants, he had always one reply, "The human body," he would say "is the highest work of the Creator, and can stand a great deal of bad treatment." That Dr. Keith was successful is shown by the immense practice he built up in spite of all criticism.—Boston Globe.

It isn't every prodigal son who gets a whack at the obese real.